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M. M. MURDOCK & BROS.

The water in the Big River is slowly receding.

Yesterday was a hot day for the race-humans.

J. E. Caldwell, of Emporia, came down on the evening train.

The leading hotels of the city did a rushing business yesterday.

The streets were crowded with people from the country yesterday.

Several private parties were indulged in yesterday by the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Desnick and Mrs. Rockwell, of Belle Plaine, spent the day in the city.

Three excursion trains were run to Clearwater yesterday, and they were all well loaded.

The laying of the corner stone of the new Catholic church will take place tomorrow.

Root Bros. ran three "buses" yesterday to the races and picnic, and did a land office business.

The Fourth of July still sustains its time-honored reputation of being the hottest day of the season.

Young Woodcock gave the boys at Clearwater yesterday several pointers on roller skating.

R. V. Morgan, an old printer of this city, but now of Caldwell, was in the city yesterday, and called.

Mrs. Dr. White, of Eldorado, came over last evening to visit friends and spend a few days in the city.

There is romance even in figures. A young man met a girl, married her and took her on a wedding tour.

A woman living north of the city was overcome with heat yesterday afternoon and suffered severely of great prostration.

The man who invented the airplane has our everlasting thanks for putting but one Fourth of July in twelve months.

Mr. W. P. Rogers, a promising young merchant of Eldorado, came over last evening to visit his family at Eagle city.

Old mercury recorded 100 degrees in the shade yesterday, and would probably have gone higher, had it not been the Fourth.

The eulogies pronounced yesterday on the American eagle were enough to paralyze any other except a "huffed" bird.

Most of the business houses closed their doors yesterday at noon, and allowed them to remain shut during the balance of the day.

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Ford returned from their eastern visit Thursday evening. Mr. Ford says there is no place like Kansas, after all.

Several private parties ran carriages and other vehicles to the picnic yesterday, for the convenience of the public and to replenish their purses.

Yesterday's wind was more of a drouthy get-up and get than any previously experienced the valley this season. It was almost a sure forerunner of a dry spell.

Several wagons and loggies got stuck in the mud hole near Riverside park yesterday, and considerable difficulty was experienced in getting them out.

Among the attractions yesterday was a threshing machine test on the west end of Douglas avenue, a load of wheat having been hauled in for that purpose.

Uncle Johnny Hammers and Thomas Glover did the orating at Clearwater yesterday, and their efforts were well spoken of, and said to be excellent in all respects.

Several slight accidents occurred yesterday from fire crackers. A little boy in front of the postoffice came near having his eye put out, and a farmer's team near the same place became frightened and came near running away.

A dozen boats and a catamaran, gaily decorated with bunting, rendered the waters about Riverside park lively and attractive yesterday afternoon. The great height of the waters in the Big River kept the Little River bank full.

The display of fireworks at the Occidental hotel last evening was very attractive as well as creditable, as was also the display at the postoffice book-store, and various other places. Several small balloons were sent up on lower Douglas avenue.

In noticing the handsome sidewalk just completed at Cash Henderson's residence, in yesterday's Eagle, we were in error in crediting the work to Messrs. Harker & Jackson. The flagging was furnished by Popkess & Wakefield, and the work done under their supervision.

The man, August Maut, who was drowned last night, was ordered buried by Coroner Nugent at the expense of the county, but the Root Brothers and their boys wouldn't consent to that, buying for his remains a neat case and a plot of ground upon which to bury them.

Vice President and General Manager Miller, of the Fort Scott and Wichita railroad came up last evening from Harper county via the Santa Fe. He looked so comfortable and happy in spite of the extreme heat, that we judge it is well with him and his Sunflower route.

Mr. J. A. Stine, treasurer of Pratt county, arrived in our city yesterday morning. Wichita still continues to reach out in her influence and we welcome the officials, business men and citizens of Pratt, a company which will soon make a stir and form of the attractions for home seekers.

Coroner Nugent goes back to the territory this morning. He says it is astonishing the way people are rolling into that country. What the effect of the President's proclamation will be is hard to tell until at least the next election. Mr. Nugent says the cattle men are fully as uneasy as the boomers.

A private letter received yesterday by Mr. McKim, of the Tremont house, from his son, William M., and E. R. Harris, who went west some weeks ago to see the country, states that after leaving Anthony they went to Medicine Lodge, on through Comanche and into Mead county, near the center of which they have each located a claim, and are now engaged in erecting

thereon houses. They say it is the finest country out of doors, and that the soil cannot be exceeded even in Sedgewick county. They are in good health, having a fine time, and are growing fat on fresh antelope steak.

John Davidson and Julia Thomas were married Thursday evening by Justice of the Peace Garrison. The newly married young people are well known and much liked in their neighborhood, and enter upon life together under very favorable auspices. The Eagle wishes them a large degree of happiness.

A notice a day or two since was made of a fine business block to be erected in the immediate future on Douglas avenue, west of Main. A mistake was made in the name of one of the officers concerned. It is he elected conjointly by Mr. Leopold Hays and D. L. Green, and will add much to the value of surrounding property.

Lillie Thornton, the colored young woman who was so badly burned from the flames of a residence store, at the residence of J. A. Wallace the other day, is doing very nicely, though still suffering considerably. Her recovery will be slow and tedious, as her burns were quite deep, and covered a large portion of her person.

The American people for the hundred and eighth time have gone through the sweat of celebrating Independence day. We guess they are thankful that its over! Distinct as the spirit echo of an angel's whisper, wafted to our ears on the wings of midnight from Philadelphia's old Temple of Liberty comes the assuring refrain: "Yer better boots."

Walking up Douglas avenue yesterday was a young lady from the country, who evidently had just purchased the new pair of slippers she had on which pinched her feet so that she could not walk. She did not faint away or go into hysterics. Oh, no; she wasn't that kind of a girl. She stopped, removed those slippers, and went on her way in her stocking feet.

An inquisitive old gent poked his head into the Eagle office yesterday and asked, "Who is dead?" The man at the job press answered, "Nobody that I have heard of." The old gent asked, "What is this crap on the door for?" The boss then went out, and found that the "dead" had hung the job office on the door, and he had to go out to see if he could see a dog fight.

Parties who attended the celebration at Clearwater yesterday, report having had a very pleasant time. The programme, as published in the Eagle for the day's exercises, was carried out, and proved very entertaining. The celebration was held in the grove across the river about one mile from the town. There was a very large crowd present, many of them being from this city.

A young married lady of this city was considerably taken back yesterday while exhibiting her first born to a couple of little girls who thought the little boy looked like, one of them promptly responded, "like his father," but the other, after gravely considering the momentous question and critically examining the cherub, said, "Well, I think it looks like the hired girl."

Yesterday afternoon burglars entered a residence in the south part of the city, while the occupants were absent at the celebration at Riverside park, and succeeded in ransacking things generally, but were evidently scared away before securing any booty, as nothing of importance has been missed. Our informant was unable to give the name of the family, but said that they were recent comers.

A man "split" for a fight, with blood in his eye, and the breath of alcohol about his person, came up Douglas avenue yesterday, brandishing a heavy revolver, and declaring that he was a fighter direct from Fighterville, and wanted to tackle some man. He was accommodated, but the man he ran against happened to be Dan Parks, and the belated individual was promptly taken in charge and will be given a chance in the police court to-day to explain matters.

It was a good thing for us that yesterday was not a business day, and that there were business men caring nothing for the market reports. Night before last nearly a column of telegraph reports of the market were put in type, and by an awkward blunder, no one can explain how, a dead report nearly a week old was dumped into the forms. The mistake was never discovered till after daylight and the edition had gone to our patrons.

Several parties, among whom were a few ladies, remaining at Riverside park last evening until quite a late hour, and until most of the crowd had dispersed, in order to enjoy a bath in the Little River, having provided themselves with bathing suits. One young lady dressed in a gauzy Mother Hubbard costume became annoyed at the shower of her companion, who, by the way, is near-sighted and wears glasses, and turning angrily to her, "Surely, Jennie, you're not going to wear your glasses in the water." "Indeed I am," replied Jennie, "nothing shall induce me to take off another thing."

That the women of Kansas are a full match for the men and a little to spare, was never more forcibly illustrated than by a little incident that occurred in Cyprian township the other day. For prudential reasons, and the fact that the fact they were not yet taken into an accident policy, we withhold all names. A farmer living in that township was in a great hurry to get his harvesting done, as the wheat was fully ripe and the weather fine. Therefore he hitched his horses to the harrow and with his boys and hired men went out into the field and began work, entirely overlooking the fact that the last stick of wood on the woodpile had been burned to get the breakfast. Raging hungry the force came in at noon. The good wife had the table set with all the taste of which she was mistress, and it really looked inviting, but there was a distinct "up" in the air, where the dinner? "Inquired the farmer, somewhat anxiously. "I don't know whether it is done or not. There was no wood for a fire, so I hung it in the warmest place I could find. It's on the back at the south side of the house." It is needless to add that the whole force was detailed at chopping wood that afternoon.

GUS MAUT'S FUNERAL.

The body of Gus Maut, who was drowned in the Little river Friday night, was recovered at about 2 o'clock yesterday morning by the parties in the undertaking rooms of W. H. Kendle, where it was viewed by the coroner's jury yesterday morning. The jury then adjourned to Acting Coroner Hobb's office, and after hearing the evidence of those who were with Mr. Maut at the time of the drowning, returned a verdict in accordance with the above facts, i. e., that the deceased came to his death by accidental drowning in the Little river.

Mr. Maut was a young man about twenty-four years of age, and had been in the employ of Root Bros. for about four months. He was a very exemplary, sober and industrious man, and must have some means laid by as he was quite frugal in his habits, but no one knows what amount he had or where it is. He had no relatives in this city, but a brother in Ness county to whom word has been sent advising him of Gus' sad fate. The funeral of the deceased occurred yesterday afternoon at about 7 o'clock from Kendle's undertaking rooms and was generally attended by his friends and acquaintances.

This is the second case of drowning in the Little river in less than a week, and should be a warning to all those who are in the habit of bathing in this stream to exercise more judgment and be less venturesome.

HOW HE WOUND UP THE DAY.

I marvel some On this queer day's delights: Its odd distractions, Its queer attractions, And its absorbing sights: We can forget—There goes my thumb.

In times gone by I used to love its joys, Its low and changing, Its roar and dancing, Made by all sorts of boys. And then—His whistling—Good Lord! my eye.

It has been said We never get too old To like the feeling Of fancy stealing From beneath that can't grow cold.

And so, With hair of snow That thumped my head, These children here With things that fizz and pop, Bring back the olden Time that is golden; And I am glad—But stop! That's much Too very much! I've lost an ear!

THE FOURTH.

The Fourth of July celebrations in this vicinity passed off very pleasantly and were numerous attended, notwithstanding the extreme heat of the day. At about 10 o'clock in the morning the Knights of Labor formed in procession and marched through the principal streets of the city on their way to Riverside park, where their celebration was held. The parade was headed by the band and was quite imposing, the large banners attracting much attention. Among the motes carried by the order we noticed the following: "We demand justice for all." "We demand justice to all." "In union there is strength." and "The Knights of Labor are coming two million strong." At the park were swings, platforms for dancing and hosts for those who loved to row. The chief orator of the day was Mr. Coffeen, of Danville, Ill., who is the grand foreman of the general assembly of Knights of Labor of the United States. His subject was "Labor," and he handled it in a careful, comprehensive and interesting manner, eliciting the most favorable comment from those who heard him. A ter the perambulating march, the large crowd gave themselves up to diversified enjoyments that the occasion afforded, not dispersing to their homes until nearly or quite sundown.

The races at Carey's park and other exercises there held, attracted a large number of people to that vicinity, as did also the races at the old fair grounds, where a crowd in that direction.

The German Sunday school picnic, which took place south of Lawrence avenue, was also well attended and greatly enjoyed.

Taken all together, and considering that no concentrated action was had in arranging a Fourth of July programme, the day passed off very pleasantly, and was greatly enjoyed by most of those who were present at either of the places referred to.

FIFTEEN MINUTES IN CLEARWATER.

One of the EAGLE's force boarded the Sunflower train that went down to Clearwater last evening. The excursionists had gone down in the morning to celebrate the day with our neighbors at that place. The run down of the extra was made in what seemed only a few minutes and was through one continuous farm of waving corn, and shocks of wheat and oats. A sight more beautiful was never seen in any country. While the excursionists were gathering for the home-bound ride we took a trip up town with Hon. Wm. Ross, of Riverside farm, the pioneer settler of the Ninnescah valley. We counted in our walk thirty-one business houses, representing almost all the branches of business found in much larger and older towns. Four lumber yards, a bank just about ready to open for business, several business houses, among them a large brick hotel; one business house, 50x100 feet, two stories high, fitted up for an apartment house, will be of brick to be built by James Tracy, an old resident of Wichita, who removed to Clearwater several years ago and opened a general country store, and as fruits of his labors, now finds himself in possession of a comfortable share of this world's goods, which his friends in this city will gladly note. There are also in course of erection about thirty residences—quite a number of them large and commodious—three large lively stables, one belonging to J. L. Cooper of our city. Notwithstanding the warning whistle that we must go, we could not refrain from stopping to shake hands with Benjie Bear who is at home in a neat, cosy drug establishment. G. L. and E. D. Munn, father and son, were very busily engaged in opening and putting in a lot of new hardware, having just ordered their building. But here our fifteen minutes was up, and we were off home.

LAST NIGHT'S BALLS.

The boy given at the opera house last evening by Garfield post G. A. R. was quite well attended, considering that the thermometer was about 90 degrees above zero, and proved an occasion of much enjoyment. Dancing did not begin until quite a late hour, owing to the heated state of the atmosphere, but after once started it was continued without interruption until nearly midnight. Most of the members of Garfield post and their wives and daughters were present, and participated in the pleasures of the evening.

AT THE RINK.

The Knights of Labor's entertainment at the rink last evening proved a source of much enjoyment to quite a large crowd of ladies and gentlemen. The early part of the evening was occupied in seeing and listening to "America Boy," as played by the Wichita dramatic company, after which the room was cleared and the balance of the evening devoted to tripping the light fantastic, which was largely participated in. The evening passed very pleasantly, and everybody seemed happy.

NEW CATHOLIC CHURCH.

Programme of Exercises at the Laying of the Corner Stone of the New Catholic Church.

The corner stone of the new Catholic church of this city will be laid on Sunday, July 6, at 4 p. m., by St. Rev. L. M. Fink, O. S. B. I. G., bishop of Leavenworth, Kansas, who will be assisted by a number of Catholic clergymen of the state.

PROGRAMME.

The procession will form at Russell Hall, Main street, at 2:30 p. m. sharp.

The senior officers of each society and band will report to the chief marshal, Capt. J. J. Mohen, of the brotherhood of St. Joseph, who will assign them their places in the procession in the following order:

1. Chief marshal mounted.

2. Senior officer of each society mounted.

3. Altar boys.

4. Wichita Guards and brass band.

5. G. A. R. drum corps.

6. Grand Army of the Republic.

7. Turnverein Society.

8. Firemen.

9. Knights of Labor.

10. Brotherhood of St. Joseph.

11. Holy Angels.

12. Young Ladies' Sodality.

13. Altar Society.

14. Children in wagons.

15. Clergy in carriages.

16. The press in carriages.

17. Citizens in wagons.

18. Citizens in wagons.

19. Citizens in wagons.

The Altar boys will form on the west side of Main street, north of Russell Hall.

The band and Wichita Guards will form on Main street, north of First.

The G. A. R. will form on the south side of First street, right resting on Main, facing east.

The Turnverein society will form on the south side of First street, right resting on Main, facing west.

The Firemen will form on the north side of

First street, right resting on Main, facing west.

Knights of Labor will form on the west side of First street, right resting on Main, facing east.

Brotherhood of St. Joseph will form on Main street, right resting on First, facing north.

Holy Angels—Young ladies.

Sodality and Altar society will form at Russell Hall and move immediately after the brotherhood, the press, citizens in carriages, wagons, etc. will fall in after the clergy.

Line of March—From Russell hall to Occidental hotel and counter march; thence south on Main street to Douglas avenue; thence east on Douglas avenue to Emporia; thence north to Central avenue; thence east to Fourth avenue; thence south to Catholic church, where each society will be assigned its place. All are invited to participate in the procession. By order of Rev. G. M. KELLY, Pastor C. C. CAPT. J. J. MOHEN, Chief Marshal. JAS. STAFFORD, Secretary.

THE CITIZEN'S BANK.

Already this week the EAGLE has published the sworn statements of the condition of three of Wichita's banks, viz: the Wichita National, the Kansas National and the Kansas State bank, with editorial reference to the very evident sound and prosperous condition of each. In this issue will be found the sworn statement of the condition of still another, the fourth for the week, that of the Citizens' bank, the loans and discounts of which latter bank reach the sum of \$187,425.55, as a single item among its resources, and another, that of its available cash, upwards of \$50,000. The liabilities of the Citizens' bank are represented in two items, the paid up capital stock of \$100,000, and deposits to the amount of \$104,425.55. The Citizens' bank is one of the banks of the other cities of the state were gathered up and compared, that Wichita would show a greater volume of business than that shown by any other town or city in Kansas.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

Go and see that new fountain at the confectionery next to Kimmery & Adams' marble works.

Rogers to the front on Photos, with Lehr and Standard at the helm. He guarantees better Photos than has ever been taken out in the city, look at the new show at his door a large work.

Don't forget C. L. Cloos when you want ice cream or soda water.

Mrs. E. Roush, in West Wichita, has lately opened a first-class millinery and dressmaking establishment. It will be to your interest to call at this establishment before purchasing elsewhere.

C. L. Cloos has the most pleasant ice cream parlor in the city.

No trouble for Frooman & Peckham to show goods.

Everybody should go to Frooman & Peckham for fresh groceries.

To Delegates and Others Desiring to Attend the National Democratic Convention at Chicago.

Commencing July 4th I will sell those who desire to visit the beautiful "City by the Lakes," round trip tickets, first class, good for return passage until July 15th. I can offer you special inducements in the way of more elegant coaches, courteous attention, faster time and fewer changes of cars than any other line.

Come one, come all, and bring your friends and purchase your tickets where you will be guaranteed satisfaction. Yours very truly,

H. H. KERLER.

Agent Santa Fe Route and Frisco Lines, Union Depot.

POPKESS & WAKEFIELD.

Have the well known McAlester clock, which is equal if not superior to the Canon City.

We advise all our readers to give it a trial, as this firm will keep it on hand constantly.

A good stock of groceries, on the best corner in the city, for sale by the Wichita Land & Loan Co.

A good drug business for sale. For particulars enquire of Innes & Ross.

Headquarters for the sale of Hatfield town company lots at the Wichita Land and Loan company's office, Bank of Commerce rooms.

Ask your grocer for Loomis & Allen's. It is delicious.

Twelve pounds of standard white sugar for \$1.00 at the Valley Grocery.

Best three-pound can of tomatoes for 10¢ at the Valley Grocery.

Choice cream cheese at the per pound at the Valley Grocery.

For Sale or Exchange.

For Wichita improved property—1½ brick houses in Pueblo, Colorado; well rented; paying good interest, but the owner compelled to live east.

JAMES W. SWOPE, Agent.

1012 West Ninth st., Kansas City.

Money at Cheap Rates.

We have made arrangements to loan money in this part of Kansas for the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company of Milwaukee, and can offer lower rates than have ever been made in this section of the country. Local agents wanted in adjacent counties.

RUNNELL & LOVS.

Choice green tea at 50¢ per lb at the Valley Grocery.

15 lbs fine yellow sugar for \$1.00 at the Valley Grocery.

No one is singing or something good to eat when by stopping in at Fuller & Son's you can get a can of Loomis & Allen's corn.

Look out for bargains at the Valley Grocery.

No. 88 Douglas avenue is where you can rest comfortably while waiting for your pictures.

Go to the first stairs east of the New York store for photographs.

Baldwin & Ostergren are now ready to photograph all who call at their newly furnished rooms, No. 98 Douglas ave.

Frooman & Peckham run two delivery wagons. Buy your goods there and you are always sure you will have them in time.

Hats! Hats! Hats!!!

Silk, Soft, Stiff or Straw Hats, washed blocked, ironed, shaped, stiffened, trimmed, dyed or bleached at the dye works, 63 Main street.

G. A. PEOPLES & DAUGHTER, Proprietors.

Dye Works.

Ladies' and gentlemen's goods cleaned or dyed. Scouring and sponging by the French Process, at 63 Main street.

G. A. PEOPLES & DAUGHTER, Proprietors.

Everything you can wish for at Frooman & Peckham's.

Bring your babies, your children and all the big folks to Baldwin & Ostergren's, and be photographed with lightning speed.

FOR SALE.

Six hundred tons of Little River ice. Inquire at Kansas State Bank.

FINANCE AND COMMERCE.

WICHITA MARKETS.

Live Stock.

Shipping steers, \$2.00; 50 head, \$2.00; 100 head, \$2.00; 200 head, \$2.00; 300 head, \$2.00; 400 head, \$2.00; 500 head, \$2.00; 600 head, \$2.00; 700 head, \$2.00; 800 head, \$2.00; 900 head, \$2.00; 1,000 head, \$2.00.

Butcher's steers, \$1.50; 50 head, \$1.50; 100 head, \$1.50; 200 head, \$1.50; 300 head, \$1.50; 400 head, \$1.50; 500 head, \$1.50; 600 head, \$1.50; 700 head, \$1.50; 800 head, \$1.50; 900 head, \$1.50; 1,000 head, \$1.50.

Fat cows and heifers, \$1.00; 50 head, \$1.00; 100 head, \$1.00; 200 head, \$1.00; 300 head, \$1.00; 400 head, \$1.00; 500 head, \$1.00; 600 head, \$1.00; 700 head, \$1.00; 800 head, \$1.00; 900 head, \$1.00; 1,000 head, \$1.00.

Pasture pigs, \$1.00; 50 head, \$1.00; 100 head, \$1.00; 200 head, \$1.00; 300 head, \$1.00; 400 head, \$1.00; 500 head, \$1.00; 600 head, \$1.00; 700 head, \$1.00; 800 head, \$1.00; 900 head, \$1.00; 1,000 head, \$1.00.

Stock and feeding pigs, \$1.00; 50 head, \$1.00; 100 head, \$1.00; 200 head, \$1.00; 300 head, \$1.00; 400 head, \$1.00; 500 head, \$1.00; 600 head, \$1.00; 700 head, \$1.00; 800 head, \$1.00; 900 head, \$1.00; 1,000 head, \$1.00.

Grain.

Milling wheat, \$1.00; 50 bushels, \$1.00; 100 bushels, \$1.00; 200 bushels, \$1.00; 300 bushels, \$1.00; 400 bushels, \$1.00; 500 bushels, \$1.00; 600 bushels, \$1.00; 700 bushels, \$1.00; 800 bushels, \$1.00; 900 bushels, \$1.00; 1,000 bushels, \$1.00.

Shipping wheat, \$1.00; 50 bushels, \$1.00; 100 bushels, \$1.00; 200 bushels, \$1.00; 300 bushels, \$1.00; 400 bushels, \$1.00; 500 bushels, \$1.00; 600 bushels, \$1.00; 700 bushels, \$1.00; 800 bushels, \$1.00; 900 bushels, \$1.00; 1,000 bushels, \$1.00.

Corn, \$1.00; 50 bushels, \$1.00; 100 bushels, \$1.00; 200